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In compliance with the provisions of Rule 97(e)(1), enclosed herewith is a copy of JP5-23688. Applicants were made aware of this patent in an Examination Report from an EPO examiner which was received by Applicants' associates in London on October 17, 1997 and by Applicants on November 7, 1997.

An English language abstract is attached to the aforesaid Japanese Patent. Accordingly, further comment at this point in time should not be necessary.

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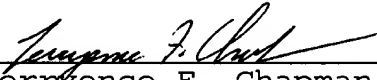
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Further consideration is respectfully solicited.

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